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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 05 November 2008 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

- a) ☐ entered.
- b) ☐ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
- c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.

- d) ☒ disapproved. See explanation below.
- e) ☐ entered in part. See explanation below.

A. The amendment (after allowance OA) filed on 11/05/2008 has been disapproved because the amendment includes two new claims (both use the same claim number 33) that had been discussed and cancelled (i.e. corresponding previously cancelled claims 29-30) during the previous allowance office action with the authorization of the applicant's representative (see the section of "Examiner's Amendment" in the office action filed on 10/03/2008).

B. It is also noted that the amended limitations for claims 7 and 21 are acceptable. If the applicant still want to enter the amended claims 7 and 21, the two newly added claims (both referred to claim number 33) in the amendment must be cancelled.

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